

CITY OF LONG BEACH

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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April 21, 2015

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all necessary documents and any subsequent amendments between the California Department of Public Health Tuberculosis Control Branch and the City of Long Beach to receive grant funding in the amount of \$207,574, plus an allotment of up to \$12,492, for a total amount of \$220,066, for tuberculosis prevention and control activities for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

As a local health jurisdiction, the City of Long Beach Department of Health & Human Services (Health Department) receives Tuberculosis (TB) Control Local Assistance Funding to meet the critical mandate of TB control. These funds have been used to support core public health TB control through preventive therapy, diagnosis and treatment of active TB disease, and to conduct contact investigations to limit the spread of the disease. The Food, Shelter, Incentives and Enablers (FSIE) allotment is used to enhance treatment adherence, prevent homelessness, and allow the use of less restrictive alternatives that decrease or prevent the need for civil detention.

The California Department of Public Health, TB Control Branch, has granted the Health Department a base award of \$207,574 and an allotment of up to \$12,492 for FSIE expenditures. These funds are being awarded to carry out tuberculosis prevention and control activities for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

TB is a severe health threat globally. According to the World Health Organization, approximately one-third of the world's population is infected with the bacteria that cause TB. In 2013, approximately 9 million people became ill with TB disease and 1.5 million people died. In 2014, the City of Long Beach had 30 TB cases and 8 deaths. In addition, the City of Long Beach received 2,610 new referrals and investigated 1,269 TB contacts. To date in 2015, we have 7 confirmed cases, 1 death, 440 referrals and 262 contacts.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Vu on March 26, 2015 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on April 2, 2015.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on April 21, 2015, to continue the program without interruption.


FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive grant revenues in the amount of \$207,574, plus an allotment of up to \$12,492, to offset expenditures of the same amount from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. Sufficient funds are currently appropriated in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Department of Health and Human Services (HE). No match or in-kind service mandate is required, and there is no local job impact associated with this action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER